

Cathy Duffy: Roots and Fruits teaches vocabulary based on Greek and Latin roots, but it is unusual because it was designed for teaching children of all ages from kindergarten through high school and because it incorporates teaching methods for various learning styles...You can use Roots and Fruits over a number of years, keeping note cards from previous years so students can continually review words they've already learned. The fact that you can use Roots and Fruits with all of your children without having to buy workbooks or other resources each year makes this a very affordable resource.

Winner of "Favorite Language Arts Product" 2009-2010 (Write with the Best Vol. 1 & 2 and Roots and Fruits) Awarded by bloggers of The Old Schoolhouse Magazine Crew.

Quickly learn and retain a powerful vocabulary with our unique approach to vocabulary curriculum for all ages.

Roots and Fruits is Jill J. Dixon's straightforward and uncomplicated Greek and Latin based vocabulary curriculum that uses the English forms of 797 roots and prefixes with their meanings. The English forms are used for easier learning and better retention than is normally experienced by using the classic Greek and Latin forms.

The program contains 2,449 vocabulary words. Students learn through an activities or "hands-on" method. Worksheets are also provided for complete curriculum utilization. The activities method also generally produces greater benefits in the learning process and in the retention of vocabulary words than does a mere memorization method. Most vocabulary programs teach words in isolation, either by assigning random lists or in conjunction with a story or book. Often students forget the meanings once the words are no longer used.

Roots and Fruits increases Spelling, Writing, Dictionary and Reading Decoding Skills.

It contains many of the most commonly tested words on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) in highlighted format for easy identification. It contains words found in other Standardized Tests, too.

Roots and Fruits also contains daily lesson plans and appeals to all learning styles. It contains 26 games and activities and 16 daily worksheets in softcover format.

Other vocabulary curriculums do not start until middle school, missing several vital years. This program contains words that can also be used by children at the kindergarten level and features suggested (marked) words for these younger students. The program is parentally controlled throughout with parents deciding everything -- from the starting place to the actual words used and amount of time spent each day.